

2015 Meaningful Use (MU) Program Changes

- CMS has changed the MU Reporting Period for 2015 to a 90-day reporting period for all providers
- CMS has updated all MU measures for 2015 through 2017 to Modified Stage 2
- There are alternate exclusions available for providers that would have submitted Stage 1 MU in 2015.
- All providers will submit the Modified Stage 2 objectives and measures in 2016.
- All subsequent MU reporting periods will be a 365 day period, unless the provider is submitting MU for the first time. If a provider is submitting MU for the first time during 2016 or 2017, a 90-day reporting period will be accepted.

How to apply with Maine in 2015

- Providers will be able to submit their 2015 MU data to the State of Maine after, January 18, 2016.
- Please contact us through the EHR Helpdesk (link below) with a list of provider(s) you will be applying for program year 2015.
- We will roll each provider to the next program year. When we roll a provider forward the system sends out the 2015 worksheet attached to an email. If you prefer to not receive an email for each provider please let us know; we can send out just the worksheet.
- Please do not use a prior year's worksheet as we have made updates for the 2015 program year. You can send a request to the EHR Helpdesk at: EhrHelpdesk.DHHS@maine.gov
- The Clinical Quality Measures (CQM) requirements have not changed for 2015. Providers will choose 9 of the 64 CQM and report that data.
- All MU data for program year 2015 must have reporting dates within the calendar year 2015.
- Maine has received an extension for the deadline date for program year 2015 for April 30, 2016. All applications and submission of meaningful use data for program year 2015 must be received prior to April 30, 2016.

Our website has updated information available for your reference: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/HIT/>

CMS has multiple educational materials available: <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/index.html?redirect=/EHRIncentivePrograms/>

Please contact us if we can assist by sending an email to: EhrHelpdesk.DHHS@maine.gov

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